

# BEST AVAILABLE COPY

FROM MCI Technology Law Washington DC

(WED) 7.13' 05 10:17/ST. 10:17/NO. 4261173430 P 1

Docket No.: RJC96153

K.F.  
2/6/06

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): I.e. et al.

Confirmation No.: 2639

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

Serial No.: 08/923,461

Art Unit: 2633

JUL 13 2005

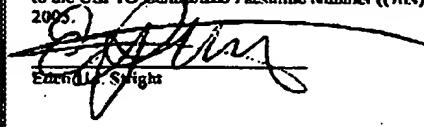
Filed: September 4, 1997

Examiner: R. Sedighian

Title: Method and System for Modular Multiplexing and Amplification in a Multi-Channel Plan

### STATUS INQUIRY REGARDING REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT (WRONGFUL)

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

<b>TRANSMISSION CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8(a)</b> I hereby certify that the correspondence cited herein is being sent via facsimile to the USPTO Centralized Facsimile Number (703) 872-9306 on July 13, 2005.  Esmond L. Shright
--

Sir:

Please advise us in writing as to the status of the above-noted application.

On April 30, 2004, Applicants submitted the issue fee along with a Request for Consideration of Previously Submitted Document. In response to the Request, the Office issued a Corrected Notice of Allowance with an initialed PTO-1449 form. On October 28, 2004, and January 26, 2005, Applicants filed a Status Inquiry regarding the payment of the issue fee. On May 4, 2005, Applicants received a Notice of Abandonment (wrongful) for failure to submit the issue fee. Since this was a wrongful abandonment, and the issue fee was timely paid, on May 11, 2005, Applicants submitted a Request for Reconsideration of the Holding of Abandonment (No Abandonment in Fact) along with supporting evidence.

To date, Applicants have not yet received any type of response to the Request for Reconsideration of the Holding of Abandonment (No Abandonment in Fact) and request that a decision on the Request be issued. Further, Applicants request that the application be passed to the Publication Branch and issue as a patent.

Applicants reviewed the Patent Application Information Retrieval System (PAIR) and noted that the Request for Reconsideration of the Holding of Abandonment was erroneously docketed in the Image File Wrapper (IFW) system as an "Amendment – After Non-Final Rejection". This is a wrongful

**BEST AVAILABLE COPY**

FROM: MCI Technology Law, Washington DC

(WED) 7.13'05 10:18/ST. 10:17/NO. 4261173430 P 2

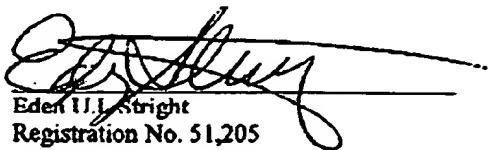
Docket No.: RIC96153

description of the document and Applicants request that the description be changed to accurately reflect the substance of the document. A copy of the PAIR page showing the description of Applicants Request for Reconsideration of the Holding of Abandonment (No Abandonment in Fact) is attached herewith.

Should the Office require further information, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 7/13/05

  
Eden U. J. Bright  
Registration No. 51,205

MCI, Inc.  
1133 19<sup>th</sup> Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20036  
Phone: 202 736-6098  
Fax: 202-736-6382

# BEST AVAILABLE COPY

FROM: MCI Technology Law Washington DC

(WED) 7.13'05 10:18/ST. 10:17/NO. 4261173430 P 3



United States Patent and Trademark Office

[Home](#) | [Site Index](#) | [Search](#) | [FAQ](#) | [Glossary](#) | [Guides](#) | [Contacts](#) | [eBusiness](#) | [eBiz alerts](#) | [News](#) | [Help](#)

## PATENT APPLICATION INFORMATION RETRIEVAL



[PAIR](#)

[FAQ](#)

[Help](#)

[Feedback](#)

**Other Links**

[e-Business Center Pages](#)

[Employee Locator](#)

[CheckStatus and Information](#)

[Interception Contacts](#)

### Image File Wrapper for Application No.:08/923,461

**NEW** *Changes to IFW*

This application is officially maintained in electronic form. To View: Click the desired Document Description. To Download the desired document(s) and click Download.

Mail Room Date	Document Description	Document Category	Page Count	All
05/11/2005	Amendment - After Non-Final Rejection	PROSECUTION	8	
05/04/2005	Abandonment	PROSECUTION	2	
01/26/2005	Miscellaneous Incoming Letter	PROSECUTION	1	
12/10/2004	Miscellaneous Internal Document	PROSECUTION	1	
10/28/2004	Miscellaneous Incoming Letter	PROSECUTION	1	
09/09/2004	Notice of Allowance and Fees Due (PTOL-85)	PROSECUTION	6	
09/09/2004	<u>List of References cited by applicant and considered by examiner</u>	PROSECUTION	1	
04/30/2004	Miscellaneous Incoming Letter	PROSECUTION	3	
03/08/2004	Notice of Allowance and Fees Due (PTOL-85)	PROSECUTION	4	
12/16/2003	Appeal Brief Filed	PROSECUTION	14	
10/14/2003	Notice of Appeal Filed	PROSECUTION	2	
07/14/2003	Final Rejection	PROSECUTION	6	
05/05/2003	Amendment - After Non-Final Rejection	PROSECUTION	4	
05/05/2003	Applicant Arguments or Remarks Made in an Amendment	PROSECUTION	10	
05/05/2003	Claims	PROSECUTION	1	
02/03/2003	Non-Final Rejection	PROSECUTION	7	
02/03/2003	<u>List of references cited by examiner</u>	PROSECUTION	1	
10/28/2002	Applicant Arguments or Remarks Made in an Amendment	PROSECUTION	6	
10/28/2002	Claims	PROSECUTION	2	
10/28/2002	Amendment - After Non-Final Rejection	PROSECUTION	1	
10/28/2002	Miscellaneous Incoming Letter	PROSECUTION	3	
10/28/2002	Extension of Time	PROSECUTION	2	
10/28/2002	Affidavit(s) (Rule 131 or 132) or Exhibit(s) Received as part of the affidavit	PROSECUTION	25	
06/26/2002	Non-Final Rejection	PROSECUTION	11	
06/26/2002	<u>List of references cited by examiner</u>	PROSECUTION	1	